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## Time-Dependent Simulations of Turbopump Flows

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## Major Drivers of Current Work



- To provide computational tools as an economical option for developing future space transportation systems (i.e. RLV subsystems development)

Impact on component design → Rapid turn-around of high-fidelity analysis  
Increase durability/safety → Accurate quantification of flow  
(i.e. prediction of flow-induced vibration)

Impact on system performance → More complete systems analysis  
using high-fidelity tools

- Target

Turbo-pump component analysis → Entire sub-systems simulation

Computing requirement is large:

→ The goal is to achieve 1000 times speed up over what was possible in 1992

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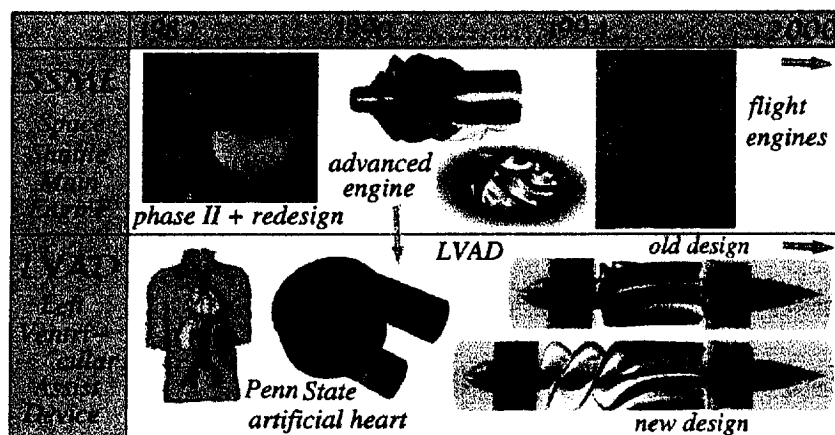


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## Objectives



- To enhance incompressible flow simulation capability for developing aerospace vehicle components, especially, unsteady flow phenomena associated with high speed turbo pump.







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## INS3D - Incompressible N-S Solver



### **\*\* Parallel version : Based on INS3D-UP**

- MPI and MLP parallel versions
- Structured, overset grid orientation
- Moving grid capability
- Based on method of artificial compressibility
- Both steady-state and time-accurate formulations
- 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>-order flux difference splitting for convective terms
- Central differencing for viscous terms
- One- and two-equations turbulence models
- Several linear solvers : GMRES, GS line-relaxation, LU-SGS, GS point relaxation, ILU(0),...

### • HISTORY

- \*\* 1982-1987 Original version of INS3D - Kwak, Chang
- \*\* 1988-1999 Three different versions were developed :
  - INS3D-UP / Rogers, Kiris, Kwak
  - INS3D-LU / Yoon, Kwak
  - INS3D-FS / Rosenfeld, Kiris, Kwak

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## Time Accurate Formulation



### • Time-integration scheme

#### Artificial Compressibility Formulation

- Introduce a pseudo-time level and artificial compressibility
- Iterate the equations in pseudo-time for each time step until incompressibility condition is satisfied.

#### Pressure Projection Method

- Solve auxiliary velocity field first, then enforce incompressibility condition by solving a Poisson equation for pressure.

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## Artificial Compressibility Method



### Time-Accurate Formulation

- Discretize the time term in momentum equations using second-order three-point backward-difference formula

$$\left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial \eta} + \frac{\partial W}{\partial \zeta} \right)^{n+1} = 0 ; \quad \frac{3q^{n+1} - 4q^n + q^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} = -r^{n+1}$$

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$$\frac{1}{\Delta \tau} (p^{n+1,m+1} - p^{n+1,m}) = -\beta \nabla q^{n+1,m+1}$$

$$\frac{1.5}{\Delta t} (q^{n+1,m+1} - q^{n+1,m}) = -r^{n+1,m+1} - \frac{3q^{n+1,m} - 4q^n + q^{n-1}}{2\Delta t}$$

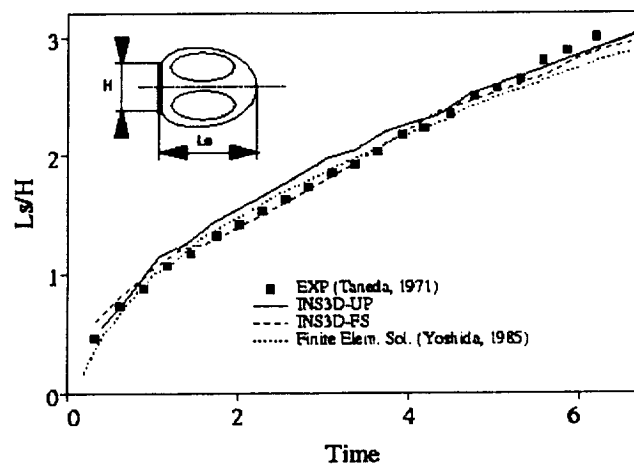
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## Impulsively Started Flat Plate at 90°



- Time History of Stagnation Point



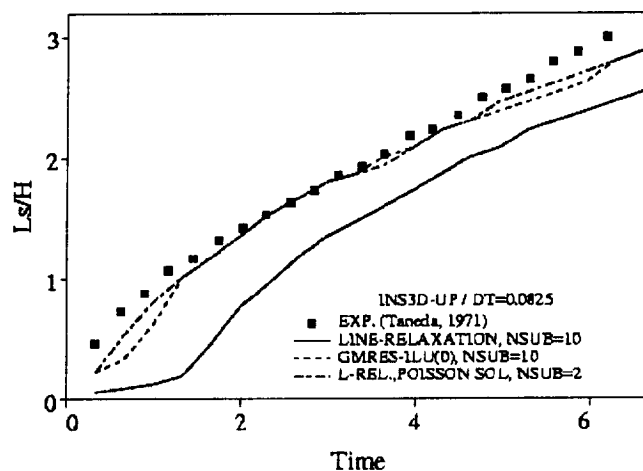




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- Time History of Stagnation Point  
Artificial compressibility incorporated with Poisson solver



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## Current Challenges

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- Challenges where improvements are needed
  - Time-integration scheme, convergence
  - Moving grid system, zonal connectivity
  - Parallel coding and scalability
- As the computing resources changed to parallel and distributed platforms, computer science aspects become important.
  - Scalability (algorithmic & implementation)
  - Portability, transparent coding, etc.
- Computing resources
  - "Grid" computing will provide new computing resources for problem solving environment
  - High-fidelity flow analysis is likely to be performed using "super node" which is largely based on parallel architecture

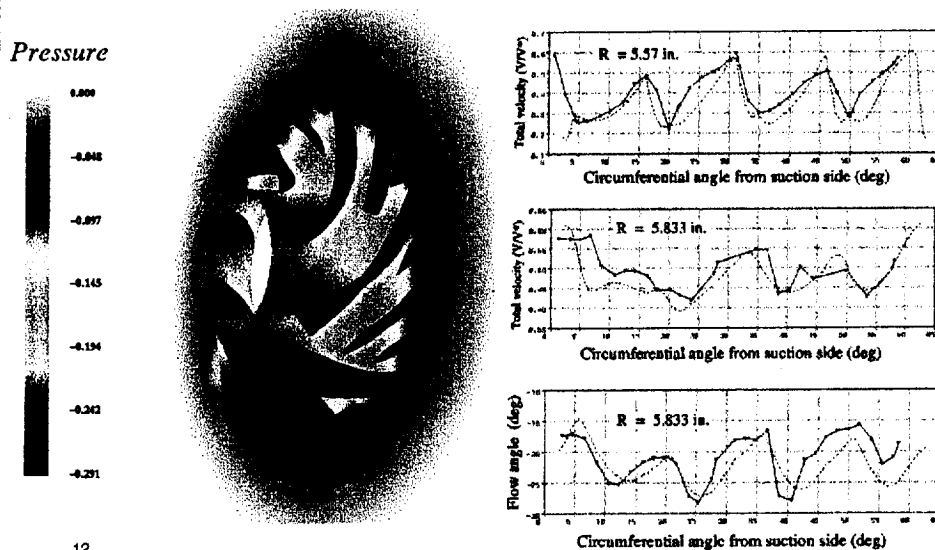
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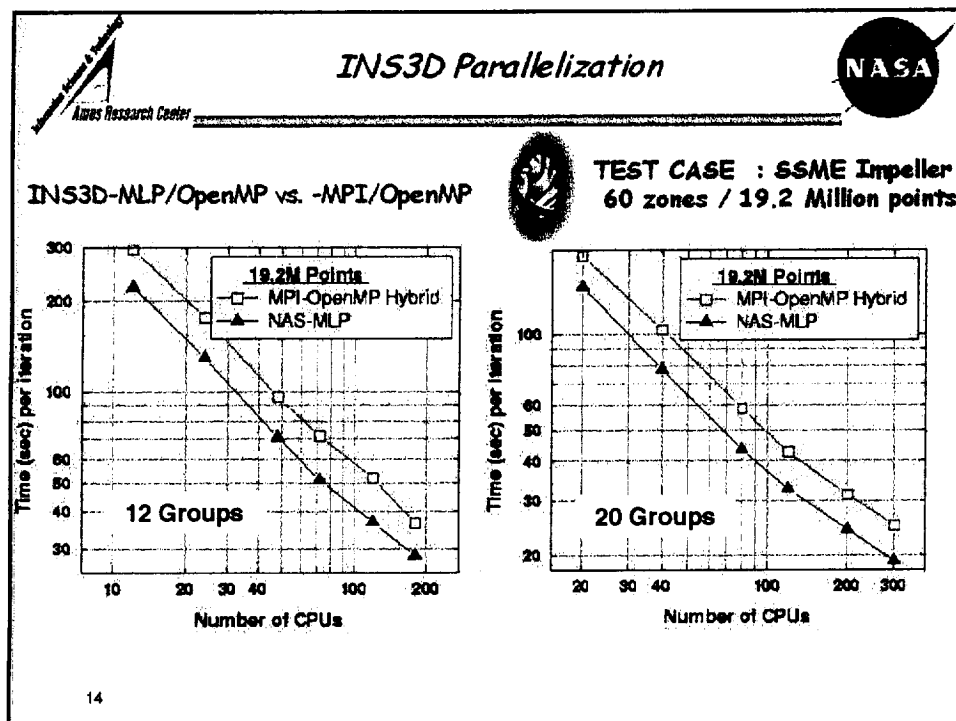
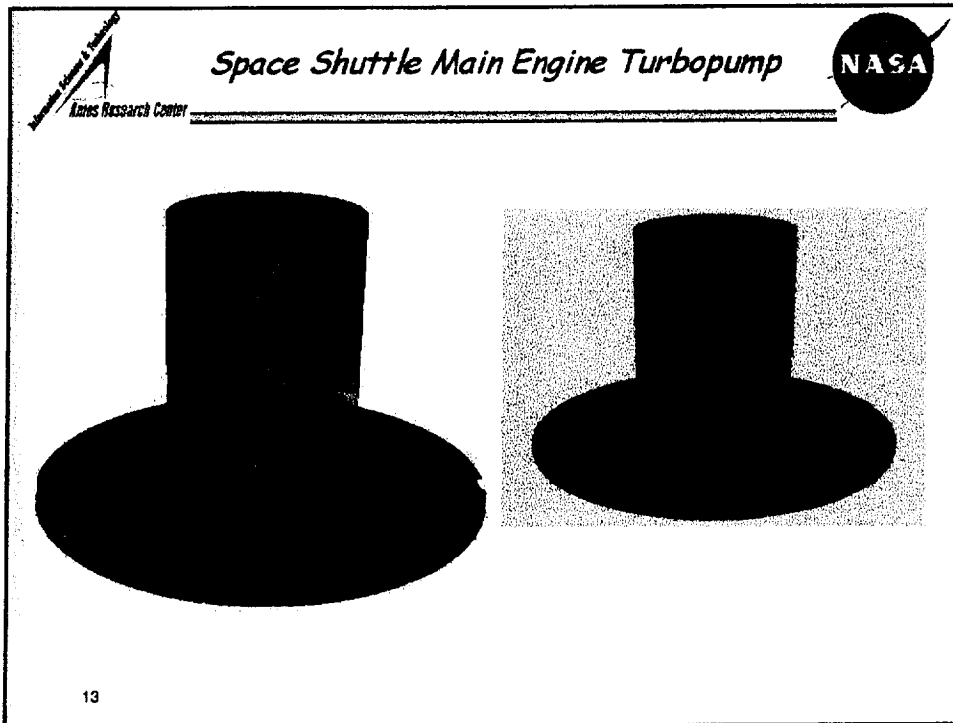
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- The diagram illustrates the MPI/OpenMP hybrid architecture in two parts. The top part shows a high-level view of MPI communication between Group 1, Group 2, and Group N. Each group contains a process with a shared memory space. The bottom part shows a detailed view of a single group (Group 1) where MPI processes (MLP Process 1 to MLP Process 2) are connected via MPI communication. Each process contains OpenMP threads (Zones 1,4 and Zones 2,3,5) and a common local memory space. The diagram illustrates the flow of data and communication between the MPI processes and the OpenMP threads within the group.

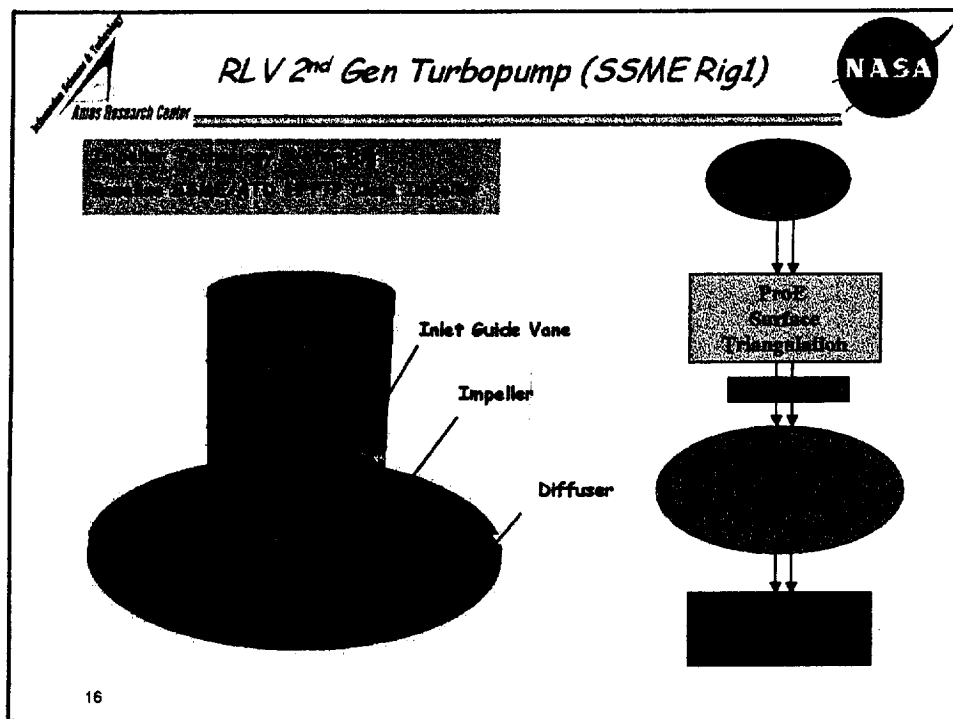
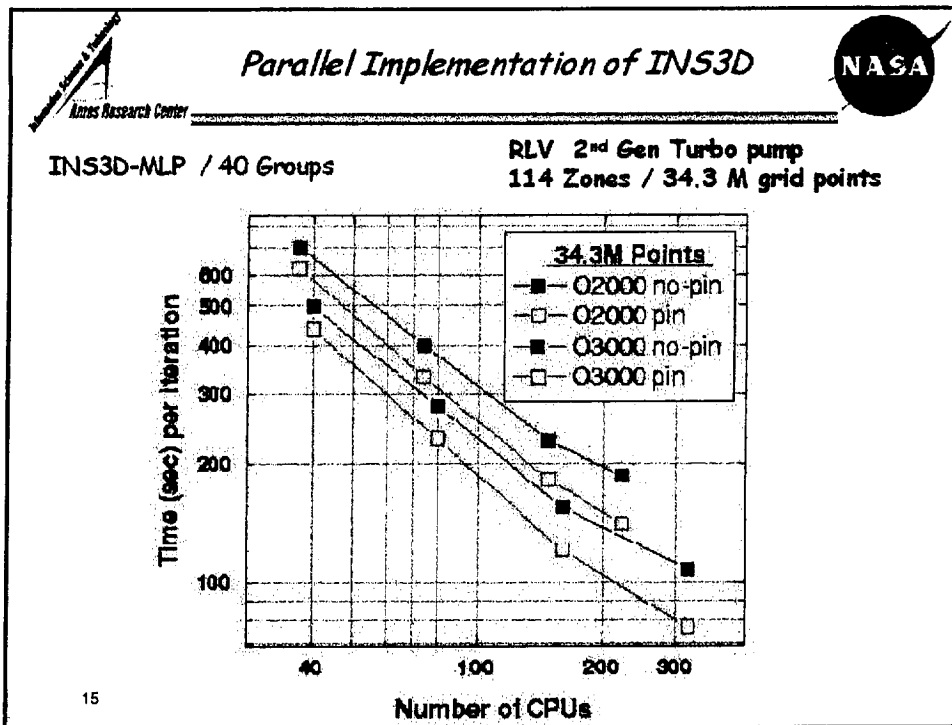
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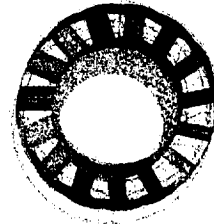
## RLV 2<sup>nd</sup> Gen Turbopump



### Overset Grid System



Inlet Guide Vanes  
15 Blades  
23 Zones  
6.5 M Points



Diffuser  
23 Blades  
31 Zones  
8.6 M Points



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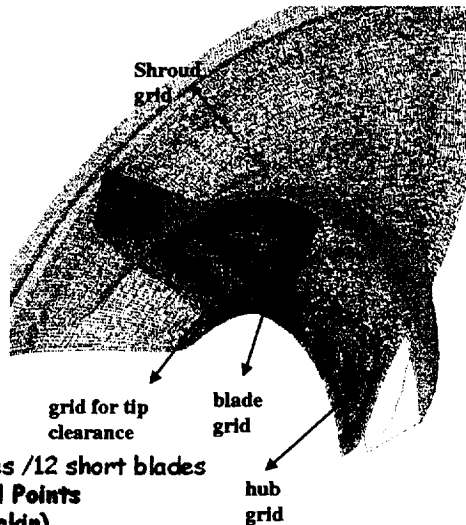
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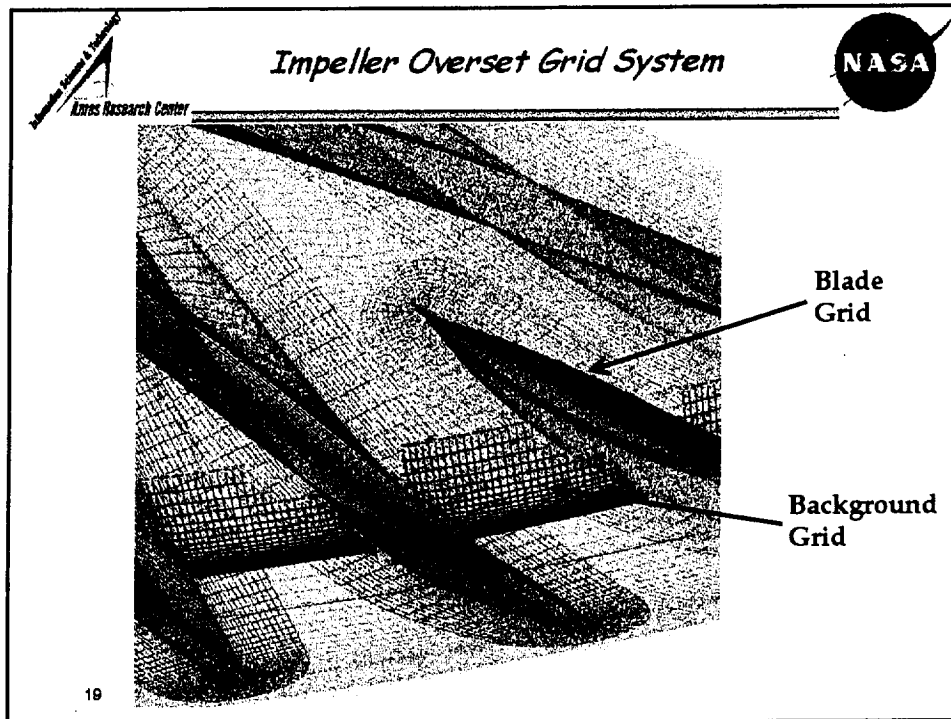
### Unshrouded Impeller Grid :

6 long blades / 6 medium blades / 12 short blades  
60 Zones / 19.2 Million Grid Points

Overset connectivity : DCF (B. Meakin)  
Less than 156 orphan points.







*Scripting Capability*

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**SCRIPTING CAPABILITY FOR GRID GENERATION**

- > Require expertise to build scripts the first time
- > Allow rapid re-run of entire grid generation process
- > Easy to do grid refinement and parameter studies
- > Easy to try different gridding strategies
- > Documentation of gridding procedure
- > Written in Tcl scripting language
  - > works on UNIX, LINUX and WINDOWS
  - > Integer and floating point arithmetic capability
  - > modular procedure calls
  - > easy to add GUI later if needed

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## Scripting Capability



### INPUT AND OUTPUT

Current example: one script for each component  
(IGV, Impeller and Diffuser)

#### Input

- > profile curve for hub and shroud in PLOT3D format  
(rotated by script to form surface of revolution)
- > blade and tip surfaces in PLOT3D format
- > Parameters that can be changed
  - global surface grid spacing (on smooth part of geometry)
  - local surface grid spacing (leading/trailing edges, etc.)
  - normal wall grid spacing (viscous, wall function)
  - marching distance
  - grid stretching ratio
  - number of blades
  - ...

#### Output

- > overset surface and volume grids for hub, shroud, blades

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## Scripting Capability



### INLET GUIDE VANES AND DIFFUSER

	Old IGV	New IGV	Old DIFF	New DIFF
No. of points (million)	7.1	1.1	8.0	1.6
Time to build	1/2 day	10 sec.	1/2 day	8 sec.

Script timings on new grids based on SGI R12k 300MHz processor

Time to build script = 1 day for IGV, 1 day for DIFF



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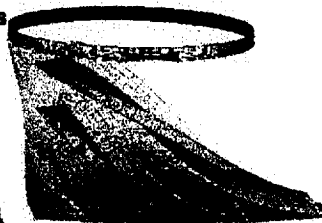
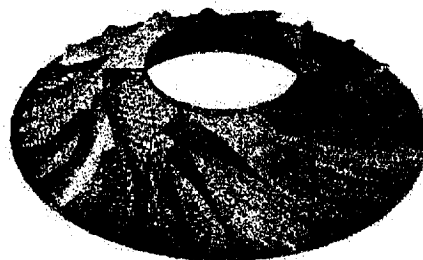
## Scripting Capability



### IMPELLER

	Old IMP	New IMP	Old TOT	New TOT
No. of points (million)	19.2	5.7	34.3	8.4
Time to build	~ 2 weeks	50 sec.		

Time to build IMP script : 3 to 4 weeks



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## Scripting Capability



### FUTURE PLANS FOR SCRIPTING

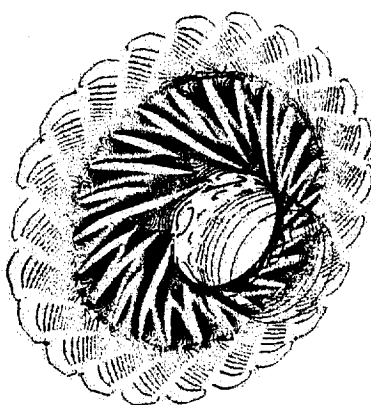
- > Complete domain connectivity capability in scripts (X-ray maps and DCF input file creation)
- > Flow solver input creation in scripts
- > Perform more tests on different parameters
- > Perform tests on different geometries, e.g., volute, inducer
- > Improve robustness (error traps, wider range of cases)
- > Generic template for each component
- > Graphical interface front end

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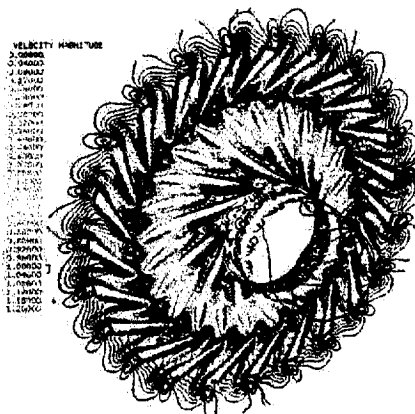
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## PRESSURE

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- 34.3 Million Points
- 800 physical time steps in one rotation.
- \*One physical time-step requires less then 20 minutes wall time with 80 CPU's on Origin 2000.
- One complete rotation requires one-week wall time with 80 CPUs.
- \*Currently I/O is through one processor. Timing will be improved with parallel I/O since time-accurate computations are I/O intensive. With futher improvements several impeller rotations can be completed in one week.





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## Data Compression using



Data compression by J. Housman & D.Lee



Before Compression



After Reconstruction

Grid File Compression

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Before Compression

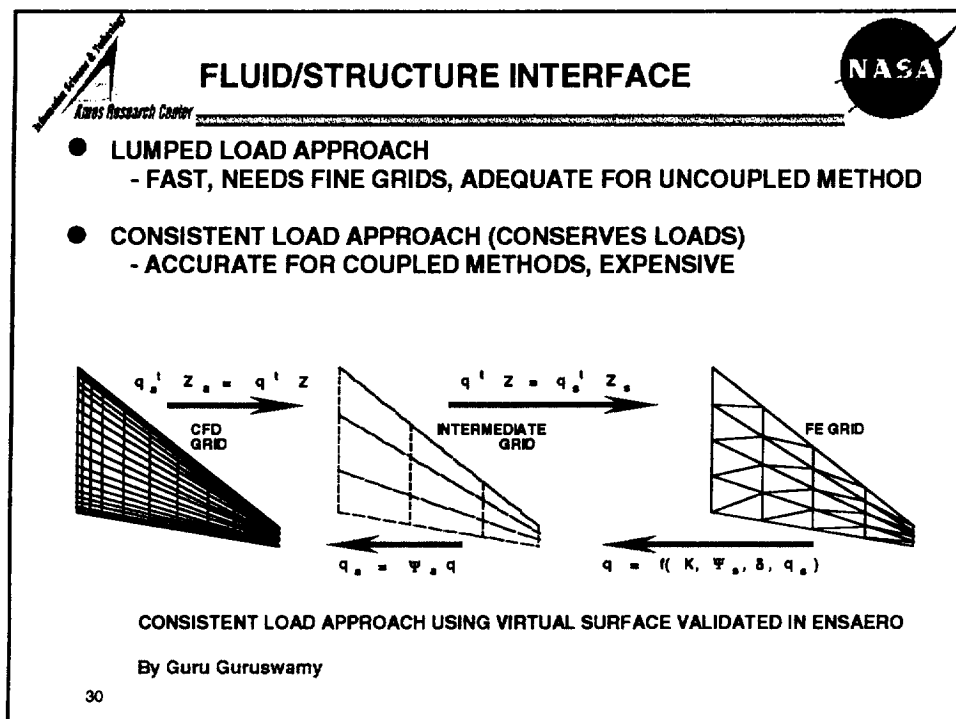
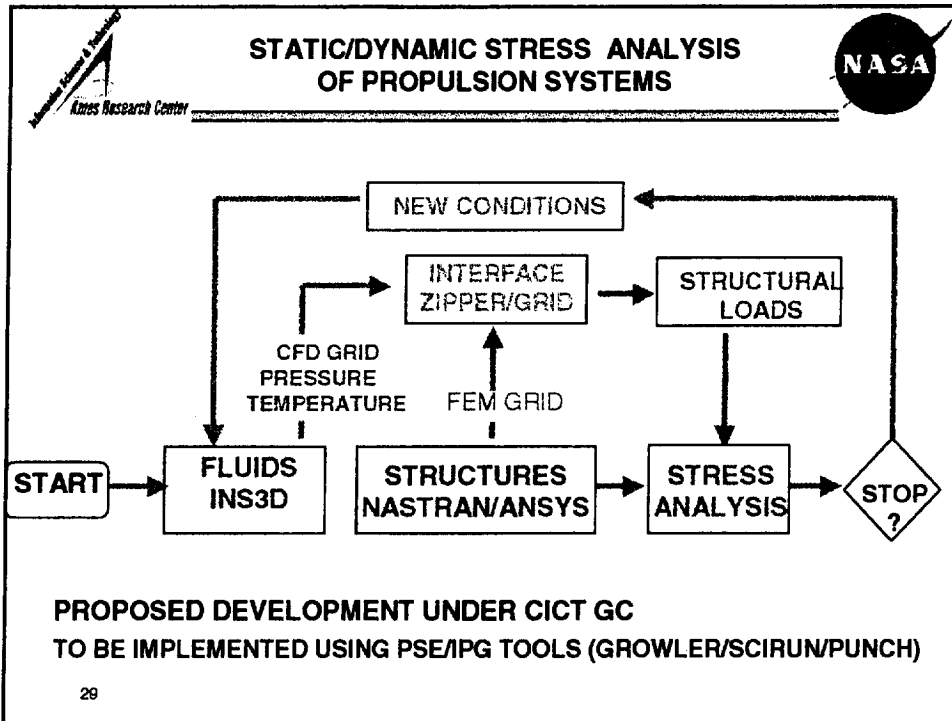


After Reconstruction

Total Velocity Contours

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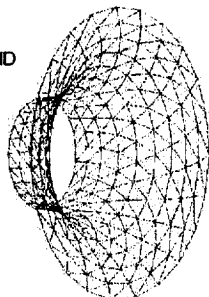
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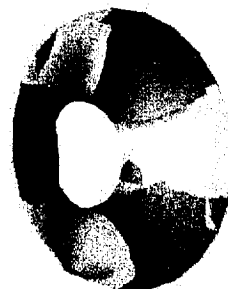
- STRUCTURES WILL BE MODELED USING BEAM, PLATE, SHELL AND SOLID FINITE ELEMENTS
- INHOUSE AND COMMERCIAL FEM CODES WILL BE USED

### PRELIMINARY RESULTS FOR HUB USING 3D PLATE FEM

COARSE GRID  
230 NODES  
414 FE  
1196 DOF



TYPICAL  
STRUCTURAL  
MODE AT 12KHz



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## Summary



- Unsteady SSME-rig1 one and half rotations are completed for 34.3 Million grid points model.
- Moving boundary capability is obtained by using DCF module.
- MLP shared memory parallelism has been implemented in INS3D, and benchmarked.
- Scripting capability from CAD geometry to solution is developed.
- Data compression is applied to reduce data size in post processing.
- Fluid/Structure coupling is initiated.

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